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July 29, 2014

Mr. Bob Wyatt
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Portland, Oregon 97209

Re: Portland Harbor Superfund Site, Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study; Docket No. CERCLA-10-2001-0240
Comments on the Remedial Investigation Report (Section 10) dated August 29, 2011

Dear Mr. Wyatt;

EPA and its partners have reviewed the revised draft Remedial Investigation Report submitted to EPA on August 29, 2011. We are sending you the enclosed comments on Section 10 of the revised draft RI report using the process agreed to by EPA and LWG.

Per the agreed process, the LWG has 30 days from the date of this letter to review, provide comments, and resolve issues on each section. Thus, the LWG will have until August 29, 2014, to review and provide EPA comments on Sections 10. If the LWG has any questions or clarifications that are needed regarding EPA's comments, we would be happy to discuss them with you at any time.

Once the LWG has provided its comments to EPA, a meeting to discuss those comments will be set if EPA disagrees with any of the LWGs comments. EPA is providing the comments on Section 10 in redline format. Note that some of the references to tables, maps and figures may have changed through revisions in other sections, but have not been updated in this section. EPA expects that the LWG will ensure that all references to tables, maps and figures will be corrected through their production of the final draft RI.

We appreciate your willingness to work with us to complete this report and move forward to clean up of the Portland Harbor Superfund site. We are implementing our proposed process for review of the RI deliverables to keep the project moving, however, we understand the senior managers are still discussing this proposal and it may be modified.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Kristine Koch at (206) 553-6705, or koch.kristine@epa.gov. All legal inquiries should be directed to Lori Cora at (206) 553-1115, or cora.lori@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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